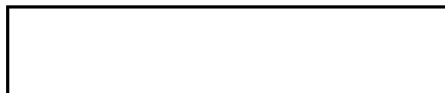


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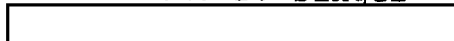
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CIA RETIREMENT BOARD MEETING 2:00 p. m., 3 January 1975

PRESENT:



Mr. Robert D. Singel



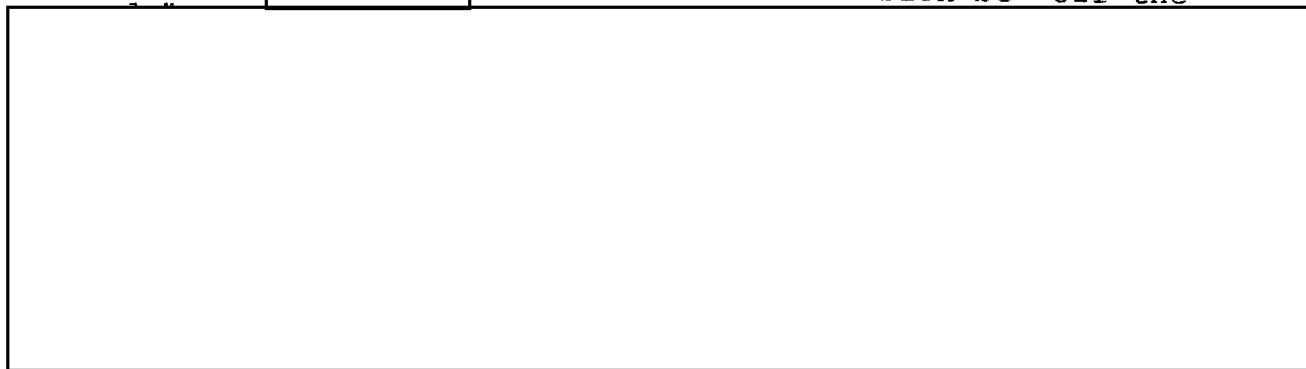
-Chairman
-DDO Member
-DDI Member
-Alternate DDS&T Member
-Executive Secretary

GUEST: Mr. John D. Warner - General Counsel

This meeting was called to consider the request from Mr. James Angleton for participation in CIARDS based partially on domestic qualifying service. Mr. Angleton has completed 16 months of overseas service, and requested that a sufficient period of his 20 years in the Counterintelligence Staff be credited as qualifying service to give him the required 60 months of qualifying service.

The Chairman reported that Mr. Angleton's memorandum had been forwarded to the Office of Personnel by the Office of the DDA with a request that the Retirement Board consider it. Consequently, the case was discussed by the Board on the same basis and within the same criteria used in reviewing other requests for domestic qualifying service.

The Chairman asked [redacted] to identify particular service performed by Mr. Angleton which might be considered domestic qualifying service. In view of the extreme sensitivity of this information, [redacted] asked that the discussion be "off the



In these examples and in the general discussion of Mr. Angleton's service, the Board members took note of the fact that Mr. Angleton, for his own reasons, chose to handle certain kinds of assignments himself -- perhaps because he did not trust the handling of extremely sensitive cases to others or perhaps because he felt that he best could achieve the operational result. This

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work style is well known throughout the DDO, as is the fact that much of what Mr. Angleton did was reported directly to the Director of Central Intelligence and that few others in the DDO were aware of what he did.

After a full discussion, the Board characterized Mr. Angleton's services during the 20 years he served as Chief, CI Staff as involving countless episodes, missions and operations involving foreign nationals, liaison services, agents, etc., of an extremely sensitive and operationally valuable nature; and that because of his personal work habits, he was directly involved in many of these assignments throughout his 20-year tenure. For this reason, the Board believes that Mr. Angleton has served the requisite domestic qualifying service for designation as a participant in the CIA Retirement and Disability System and recommended approval.

In taking this position, the Board considers Mr. Angleton as one of a kind and approval of his admission into CIARDS does not automatically create a precedent for others in the CI Staff. Each such case would be reviewed on its merits, especially with respect to personal involvement.



Executive Secretary

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